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Hotel Registrations Now Open – Holiday Inn N. Cinti / W. Chester lodging reservations began on Sept 1, 2026 at \$159/nite pre-tax for rooms with either a King or 2 Queen beds. Reservations must be made via this on-line link: [MCR 2027](https://cincy-div7.org/2027-convention), and must be made before May 1, 2027. The link includes adjustable dates at same rate.

Convention Registrations – Early registrations are available until December. Simply copy the form in this Oil Can, or download it from our convention webpage, then fill it out and mail it in. Registering now, rather than waiting for the full package to be issued in January, gives you priority for upcoming sign-ups for op sessions and extra-fare events (banquet, excursions, workshops). Note, everyone participating or volunteering in any event held at the hotel must register for the convention.

Current Focus Areas – This will be a full featured convention, including Excursions (both prototype and general interest), Clinics (and Workshops), and Layout Ops and Tours (all self-guided). Our leaders are currently working to secure these exciting main events. Planning for all our other attractions (Raffle, White Elephant Sale, In-Hotel Layouts, Contest, Banquet) is also progressing. These all need to be firmed up by mid-Oct to be in our full registration package issued this Dec/Jan. Volunteers recruitment for our many activities and shifts will begin after then.

Convention Publicity – Please see our convention page on our website for info on our convention plans, schedule, attractions, contacts and publicity materials, at: <https://cincy-div7.org/2027-convention>. Many thanks to David Read for helping staff our publicity booth at the NMRA National Convention in Chattanooga.

Convention Shirts – Our convention shirts remain available for anyone to order, enjoy and wear. They are only available direct from our local shirt vendor, and are sold at cost via a friendly self-serve on-line ordering system. Here's the ordering link (also on our website): <https://cincinnati2027.itemorder.com/shop/home/>

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